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25X1A6a **Comment.** Although present military events have altered Nationalist plans for the areas mentioned, the information below is presented for possible future reference.)

1. HSUEH Hsing-ju (薛興儒) (see previous reports, prominent member of LI Yung-hsin's Clique and head of the Jehol Mongolian Banners Kuomintang Headquarters, is making preparations in Peiping for the establishment of the Mo Nan (漠南) Association. The purpose of the association is to advance Inner Mongolian culture and to foster friendship among the youth of Inner Mongolia. Outwardly this society appears to be a cultural group, but actually it will be a political society. HSUEH has stated that members of the group will play an important part in Nationalist Government policies towards Inner Mongolia. The organization will have branch offices in Mukden and Chinchou. HSUEH will probably become the head of the organization although the actual control will be in the hands of LI Yung-hsin.
2. With LI's support, HSUEH recently opened him campaign to obtain the Nationalist appointment as head of Josoto League. The campaign has been so successful that HSUEH is making plans to move his followers into position in the League government. The Nationalist Government is to ask Darganponseg to retire because he is "too elderly to handle the League's affairs under the present difficult conditions".
3. The Nationalist Government has been working on plans for a government for Jerim League. CHIN Chung-wei (金榮偉), head of the Liaoning Mongolian Banners Kuomintang Headquarters, has obtained LI Yung-hsin's support to campaign for the position of vice-chairman of the government. In Mukden, when CHIN recently announced he was to become vice-chairman of the Jerim League Government, he faced the stern disapproval of Mongol youths in the city. His appointment has not yet been announced officially.
4. LI Yung-hsin is endeavoring to replace Jakonjo (Chia-feng-chu), chief of the Mongolian Affairs Office of the Mongolian-Tibetan Affairs Commission, with LIU Lien-k'o.

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Comment. This attempt on the part of LI reveals the first step in his plan to control the Mongolian-Tibetan Affairs Commission. Although LI himself hopes to become deputy commissioner of Mongolian-Tibetan Affairs Commission by ousting PAI Yun-ti, he realizes that the place held by Jakonjo is very important and it will be essential for LI's clique to secure it. In this way LI will have some of his own men under him and will not have to make so many changes in personnel when he takes over. In seeking Jakonjo's removal, LI has been accusing him of disloyalty to China and of attempting to sever Mongolia from China by his connection with a "certain society" which sponsors Mongol autonomy.

The greatest weakness of LI's Clique in the past has been its lack of support among the Mongol people, particularly the youth. Recently his clique has made efforts to aid Mongol refugees and destitute Mongol students so that they will become cognizant of the Clique. The establishment of the Mo Nan Association is also an attempt to place Mongol youths under LI's influence.)

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